## SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA

## **County of San Diego**

DATE: July 19, 2006 DEPT. 71 REPORTER A: Peter Stewart CSR# 3184

PRESENT HON. Ronald S. Prager REPORTER B: CSR#

**JUDGE** 

**CLERK: K. Sandoval** 

BAILIFF: REPORTER'S ADDRESS: P.O. BOX 120128

**SAN DIEGO, CA 92112-4104** 

## MINUTE ORDER

IN RE: JCCP 4221/4224/4226&4428 – Natural Gas Anti-Trust Cases (Pipeline)

The attached Court's applies to all cases listed as follows:

| 4221-00001 | PHILLIP vs EL PASO MERCHANT ENERGY                               |
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| 4221-00002 | PHILLIP vs EL PASO MERCHANT ENERGY                               |
| 4221-00003 | CONTINENTAL FORGE COMPANY vs SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY     |
| 4221-00004 | BERG vs SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY                          |
| 4221-00005 | THE CITY OF LONG BEACH vs SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY        |
| 4221-00006 | THE CITY OF LOS vs SOUTHERN CALIFOR                              |
| 4221-00005 | SWEETIE'S A CALIFORNIA PARTNERSHIP vs EL PASO CORPORATION        |
| 4221-00006 | THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES vs SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY       |
| 4221-00007 | SWEETIE'S A CALIFORNIA PARTNERSHIP vs EL PASO CORPORATION        |
| 4221-00008 | CALIFORNIA DAIRIES INC vs EL PASO CORPORATION                    |
| 4221-00009 | DRY CREEK CORPORATION (JCCP 4228) vs EL PASO NATURAL GAS COMPANY |
| 4221-00010 | HACKETT vs EL PASO CORP  |
| 4221-00011 | THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES vs SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY     |
| 4221-00012 | THE CITY OF VERNON vs SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY            |
| 4221-00013 | WORLD OIL CORP vs SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY                |
| 4221-00014 | CITY OF UPLAND vs SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY                |
| 4221-00015 | THE COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO vs SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY  |
| 4221-00016 | EDGINGTON OIL COMPANY vs SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY         |
| 4221-00017 | THE CITY OF CULVER CITY vs SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY       |
| 4221-00018 | THE CITY OF BURBANK vs SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY           |
| 4221-00019 | THUMS LONG BEACH COMPANY vs SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY      |

2:05 p.m. This being the time previously set for EX PARTE HEARING in the above entitled cause Court convenes in chambers with counsel as noted appearing telephonically:

Brad Baker of Baker Burton and Lundy John Shaeffer of O'Donnell Shaeffer Richard Levy and Robert Berry of Gibson Dunn & Crutcher Paul Traina of Engstrom, Lipscomb & Lack Martin Goyette Department of Justice State of California Robert Borthwick of Sepra Energy

Court and counsel discuss the final order on the settlement of the pipeline case.

Attorney Goyette presents argument regarding the word "improperly" in the settlement decree.

Attorneys Berry and Shaeffer disagree that the word should be withdrawn from the decree. The language is in the notice and approved settlement agreement they state.

The Court rules that the request of the Attorney General to modify the proposed order by withdrawing the word "improperly" is denied.

The Court notes Attorney Lindmark has filed objections to the settlement and the Court rejects the objections. Though notified of the hearing Mr. Lindmark does not appear..

The Court advises counsel that he will sign the Judgement Final Order and Decree granting final approval to the class action settlement with the Sempra Defendants.

Court and counsel discuss the disbursement of funds from the settlement. Court directs the Sempra Defendants to pay the first installment on August 9, 2006. If counsel cannot agree on the timeframe they are to meet and confer and come in ex parte. Counsel to inform the Court of the results and schedule a date if needed.